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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

Item [73], Assignee, "**Mallinckrodt, Inc.**" should be -- **Mallinckrodt Inc.** --.

Item [56], **References Cited**, U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS, add:

-- 6,733,744 5/04 Achilefu et al. 424/9.6 --.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS,

"Borgmark, W.R." reference, "...Flugrescence..." should be -- ...Fluorescence... --.

Column 1,

Line 30, "... (Y-L. He, et al.,..." should be -- ... (Y. L. He, et al., ... --.

Line 62, "...hetamethine cyanine dyes..." should be -- heptamethine cyanine dyes... --.

Column 3,

Line 60, "...may the same or different..." should be -- ...may be the same or different... --.

Column 5,

Line 2, "...may the same or different..." should be -- ...may be the same or different... --.

Column 6,

Line 19, "...may the same or different..." should be -- ...may be the same or different... --.

Column 7,

Line 3, "...-(CH₂)₁-N..." should be -- ...-(CH₂)₄N... --.

Line 27, "...may the same or different..." should be -- ...may be the same or different... --.

Column 8,

Lines 65-66, "...prepared according the methods..." should be -- prepared according to the methods... --.

Column 9,

Line 3, "...SO₃;..." should be -- ...SO₃⁻;... --.

Line 31, "... (CH₂)_a..." should be -- ... (CH₂)_a... --.

Column 10,

Line 8, "...C₁C₁₀ alkyl,..." should be -- ... C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,... --.

Line 39, "... (CH₂)_a..." should be -- ... (CH₂)_a... --.

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Column 11,

Line 45, "...leads to 5 fluorescence..." should be -- ...leads to fluorescence... --.

Column 12

Line 65, "...and $R=R^1=CO_2H$ " should be -- ... and $R=R^1=CO_2H$) --.

Column 14,

Line 26, "...on silica gel wi with hexane..." should be -- ...on silica gel with hexane... --.

Column 17,

Line 64, "...into the later tail vein of the rat." should be -- ...into the lateral tail vein of the rat. --.

Column 25,

Line 35, "...-C((CH₂)_aOH)CH₃..." should be deleted.

Line 36, delete the comma preceding the semi-colon at the end of the line.

Line 47, "... (CH₂)_a..." should be -- ... (CH₂)_a... --.

Column 27,

Line 10, "...-C((CH₂)_aOH)CH₃..." should be deleted.

Column 28,

Line 7, "...to prevent in vivo or in vitro..." should be -- to inhibit in vivo or in vitro... --.

Column 29,

Line 11, "...-C((CH₂)_aOH)CH₃..." should be deleted.

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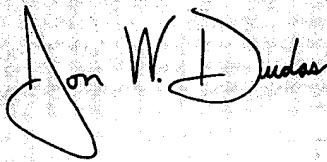
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Column 29 (cont'd).

Line 23, "... $(CH_2)_a$..." should be -- ... $(CH_2)_a$... --.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized, with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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